

# Data, Analytics and AI Services for Science

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*Data Day 2022*



# NERSC has a rich data ecosystem!



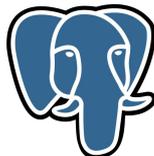
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data transfer and access

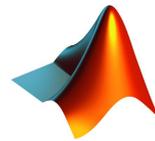


mongoDB®



MySQL™

data management



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data analytics



PyTorch



scikit learn



machine learning



ParaView  
Parallel Visualization Application

visualization

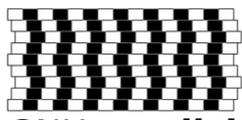


SHIFTER



Spin

containers



GNUparallel



Parsl



papermill

workflows



FireWorks



BERKELEY LAB



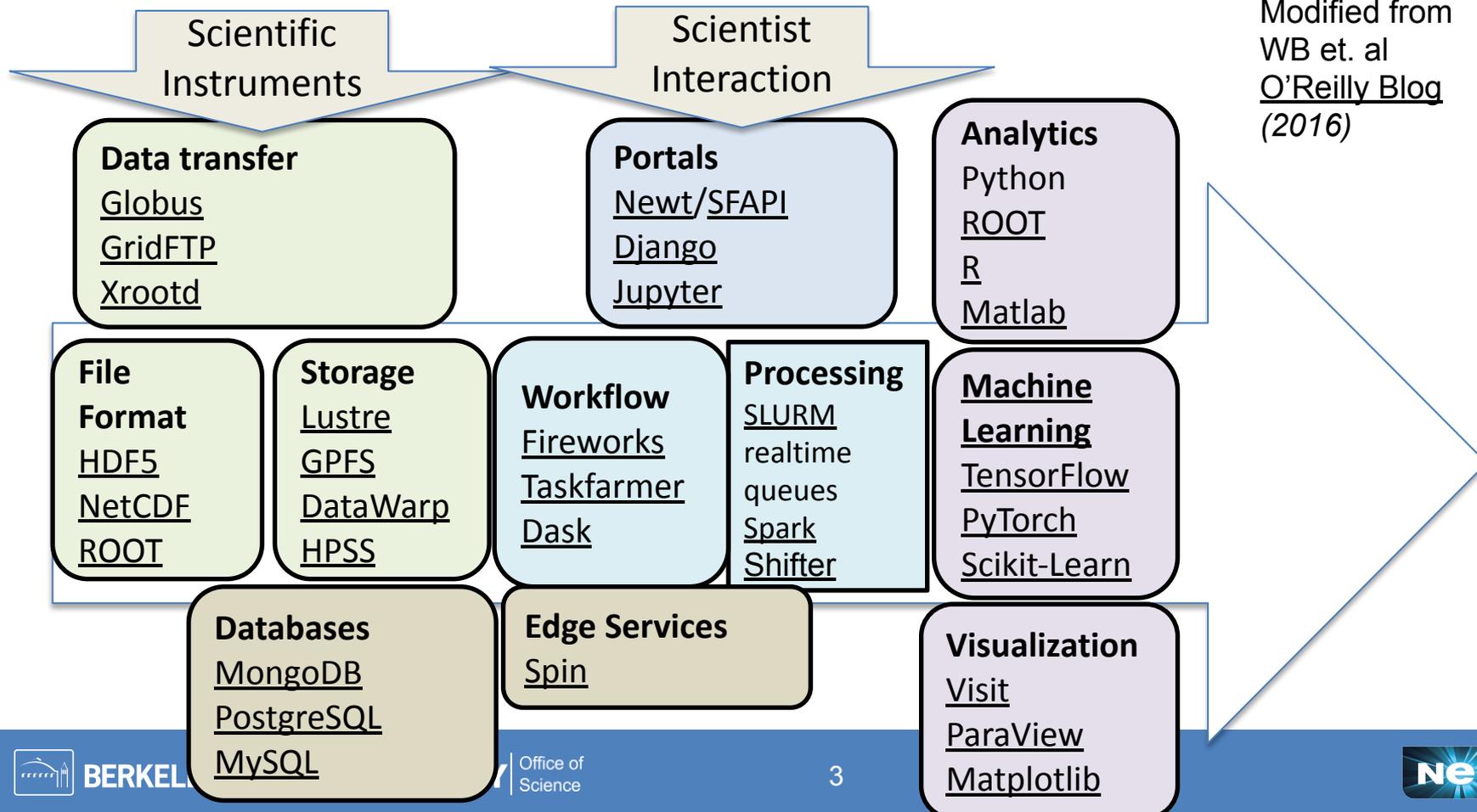
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Modified from  
WB et. al  
[O'Reilly Blog](#)  
(2016)



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## Agenda Overview

Monday, August 22: Data Day

[Remote connection available via zoom.](#)

Some notebooks that will be shown are available at [NERSC's data-day examples](#) git repo.

Time	Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
	<b>Data talks</b>		Bldg. 50 Aud
8:30 am	Welcome ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Katie Antypas, Head, NERSC Data Dept	Bldg. 50 Aud
8:45	Intro to Machine Learning ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Prabhat, NERSC Data and Analytics Services Group Lead	Bldg. 50 Aud
9:15	Machine Learning tutorial ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Evan Racine	
9:30	Science with Machine Learning ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Marcus S	
9:45	<b>Break</b>		
10:10	Python Tutorial ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Rollin Th	
10:40	Science with Python ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Ben Bow	
11:10	Spark tutorial ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Lisa Gerf	
11:40	Science with Spark ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Zhong W Genome	
12.10 - 1.30	<b>Lunch and poster preview</b>	Lunch w register	
1:45	Visualization tutorial and discussion ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Annette C	
2:30	Burst Buffer Tutorial ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Debbie Bard, NERSC	Bldg. 50 Aud
3:00	Science with the Burst Buffer ( <a href="#">video</a> , <a href="#">slides</a> )	Andrey Ovsyannikov	Bldg. 50 Aud

## Available Tools

### Deep Learning Frameworks

- **Theano** - flexibility, not for beginners (good for research)
- **Keras / Lasagne** - Theano-based but higher-level for ease of use
- **TensorFlow** - ease of use and flexibility, large, growing community, some *multi-node support*
- **Caffe** - high performance (IntelCaffe with performance highly optimised for KNL), *multinode (no programming necessary)*

### General Machine Learning:

- **Scikit-Learn** - great for non-image based machine learning, easy to use, support for wide range of algorithms
- **Spark** - *multinode*, great for data parallel, relatively easy to use, support for only a



theano



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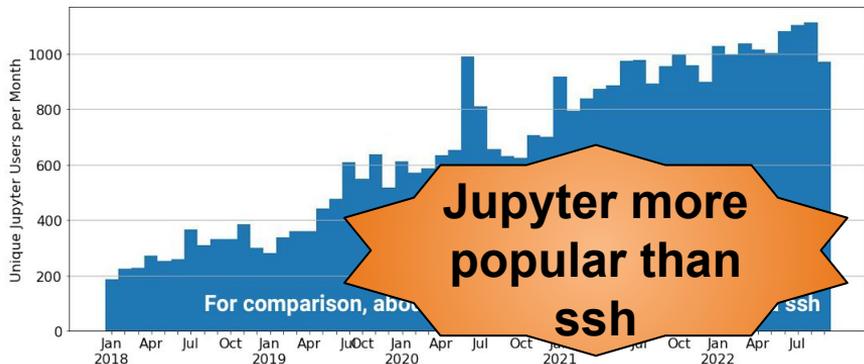
## DATA DAY 2016

August 22nd - 23rd, 2016

Workshop # 011, Building 50 and 51

# Many data services are now ubiquitous - others rapidly growing

## Jupyter Usage at NERSC



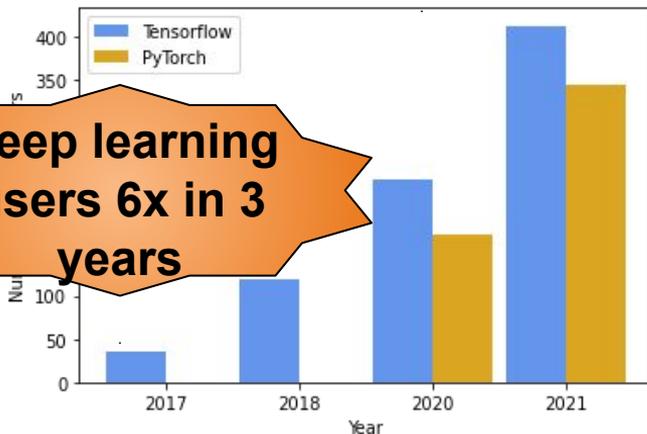
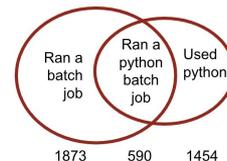
## April 2021 Job Accounting



What % of users who ran jobs in the batch queues used python? **32%**

What % of users who used python used it in the batch queues? **41%**

**~4k python users**



## PERLMUTTER DEBUTS IN THE TOP 5 OF THE TOP500

JUNE 29, 2021

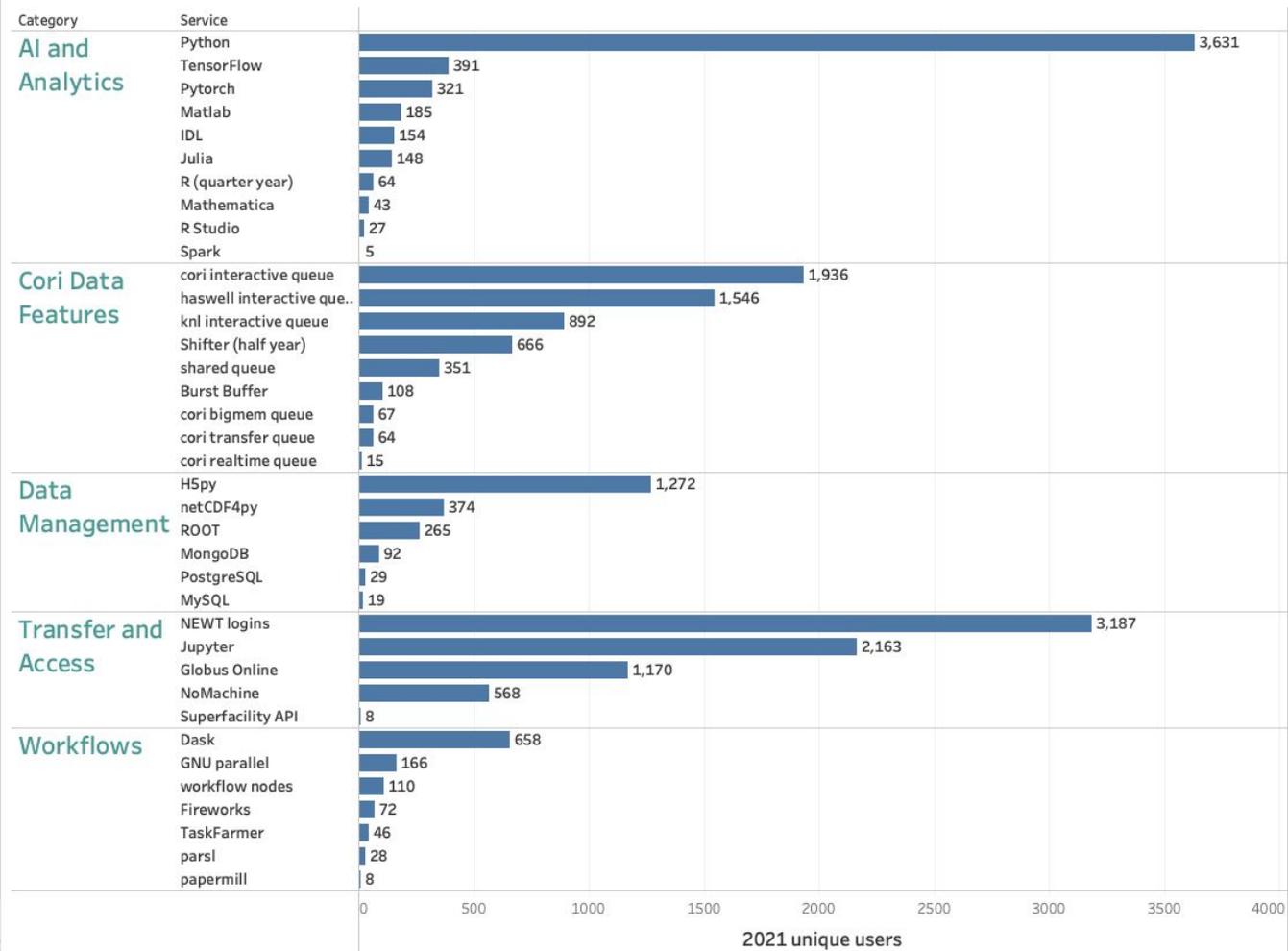
By Kathy Kincade

Contact: [escomms@lbl.gov](mailto:escomms@lbl.gov)

**Top 500 HPL run in shifter container**



## Users of NERSC Data Software and Services, 2021



# Perlmutter a Data and AI supercomputer



## 1,536 GPU nodes

- 1x AMD Epyc 7763
- 4x NVIDIA A100
- 4x Slingshot NICs



## 3,072 CPU nodes

- 2x AMD Epyc 7763
- 1x Slingshot NIC

**Slingshot**  
200 Gb/s  
2-level dragonfly

## 16x MDS + 274 OSS

- 1x AMD Epyc 7502P
- 2x Slingshot NICs
- 24x 15.36 TB NVMe

## 24x Gateway nodes

- 2x Slingshot NICs
- 2x 200G HCAs

## 2x Arista 7804 routers

- 400 Gb/s/port
- > 10 Tb/s routing



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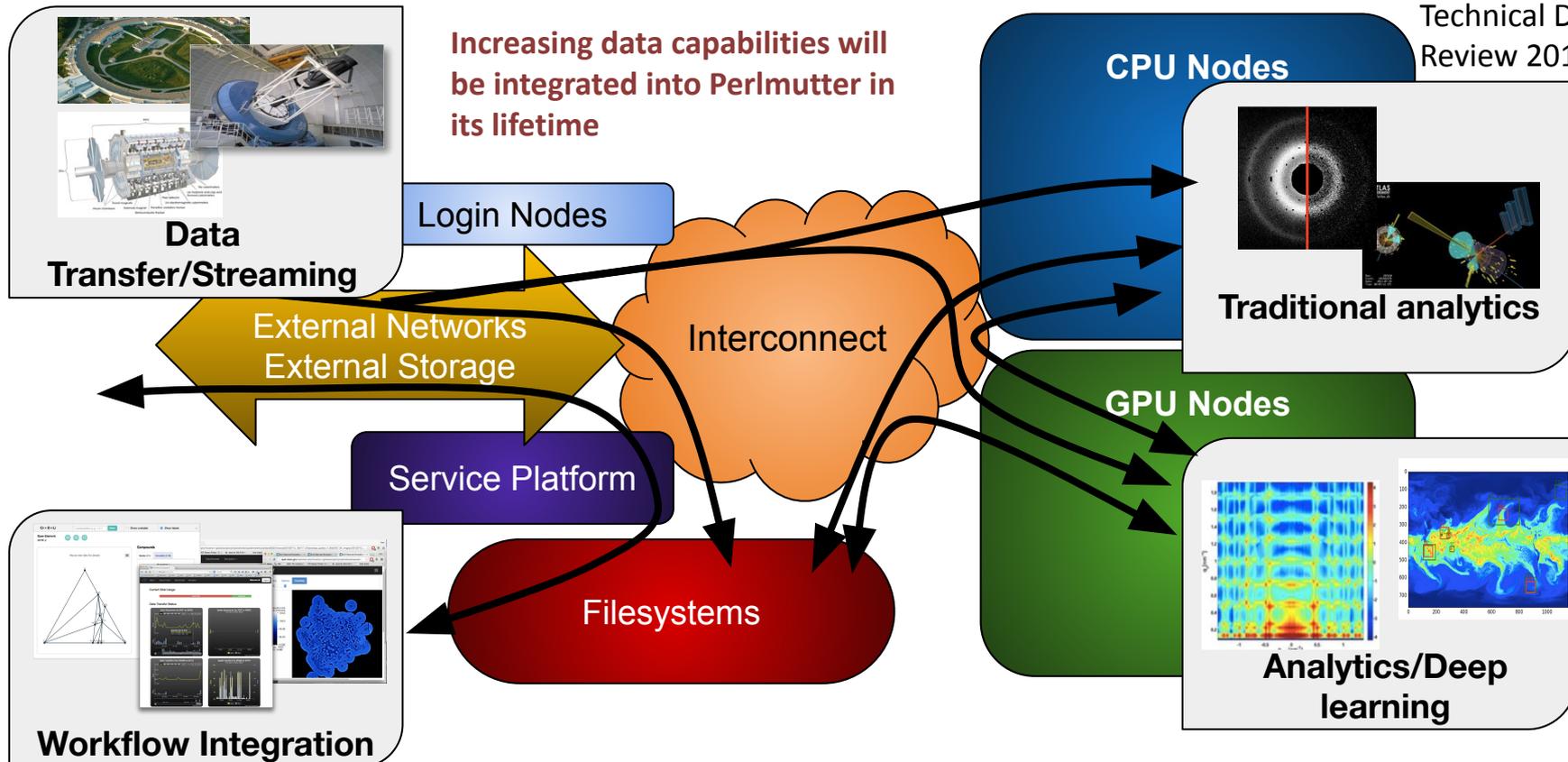
Image: G. Lockwood

**External Facilities**  
HPC Centers  
Telescopes/Beamlines  
Cloud



# Data services impact entire workflow

From Lockwood,  
WB, ... NERSC-9  
Technical Design  
Review 2018

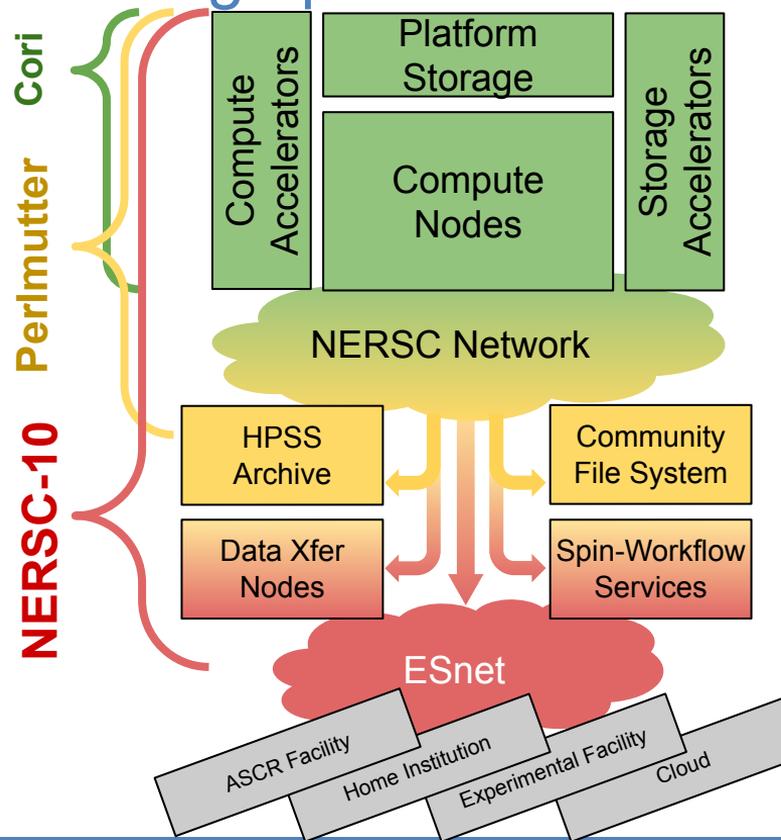


# NERSC-10 Architecture: Designed to support complex simulation and data analysis workflows at high performance

*NERSC-10 will provide on-demand, dynamically composable, and resilient workflows across heterogeneous elements within NERSC and extending to the edge of experimental facilities and other user endpoints*

Complexity and heterogeneity managed using complementary technologies

- **Programmable infrastructure:** avoid downfalls of one-size-fits-all, monolithic architecture
- **AI and automation:** sensible selection of default behaviours to reduce complexity for users

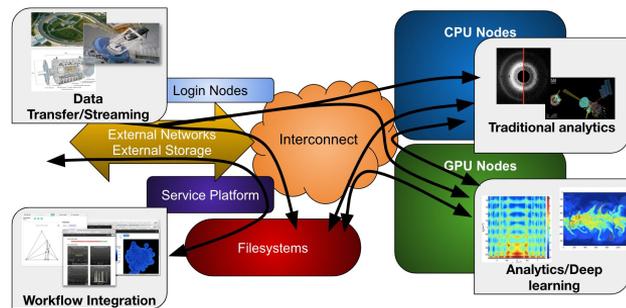


# Sophisticated data services still evolving

- + Managed, multi-stream data transfer
- + I/O libraries and flash filesystems
- + Sophisticated deep learning, and software frameworks
- + Containerised services - portable and resilient
- + Rich ecosystem of libraries to build portal and workflow tools
- + Python ecosystem - productive language with performant libraries

But remaining challenges include:

- Workflow services don't extend into compute and data infrastructure
- Divergence between HPC and cloud workflow and data tools and approaches
- Lack of widely accessible tooling to support FAIR data principles
- Interactive user interfaces for HPC compute are still quite limited
- Productive languages are difficult to scale to large HPC systems
- Data volumes still outpace I/O so batch processing and filtering needed (and inefficient)
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- Ad-hoc inference on experimental data based on modelling and simulation



From WB. Data, Analytics and AI on Supercomputers for Science  
<https://sites.google.com/lbl.gov/data-talks/>

11:00 AM

I/O Profiling on Perlmutter with  
Darshan

Alberto Chiusole & Jean  
Luca Bez

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1:30 PM	Workflows: Pegasus Workflow Manager	Nicholas Tyler
2:00 PM	Superfacility API	Bjoern Enders

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10:30 AM	Containers for HPC: Shifter and Podman	Daniel Fulton
11:00 AM	Scaling Python Applications	Daniel Margala
11:30 AM	Julia	Johannes Blaschke

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1:30 PM	Deep Learning at Scale on Perlmutter	Steven Farrell
2:00 PM	Python on GPUs: JAX	Nestor Demeure

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# Evolution of data services

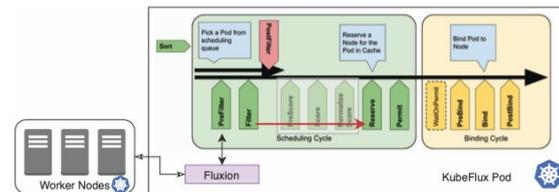
Compose services and compute seamlessly

Experiment with and apply performant, productive analytics at scale

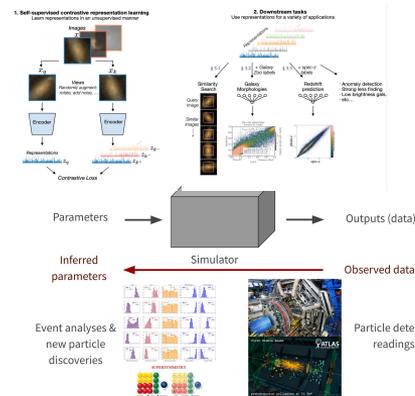
Leverage large AI models, fine-tune to new problems, apply to new data pipelines

Discover through robust science-informed AI and inference approaches

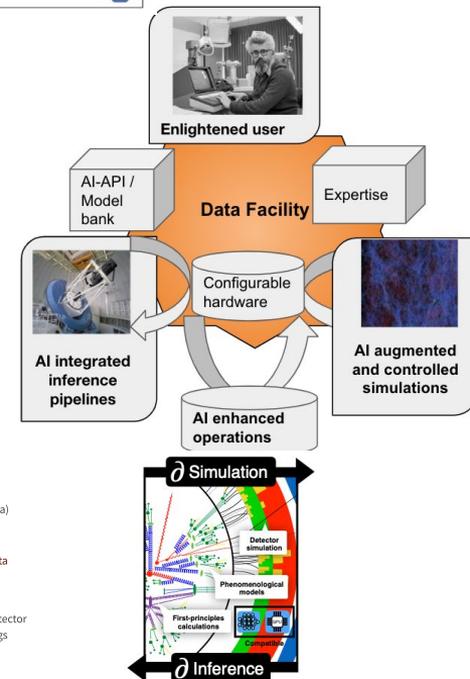
Curate and re-use data through FAIR management services



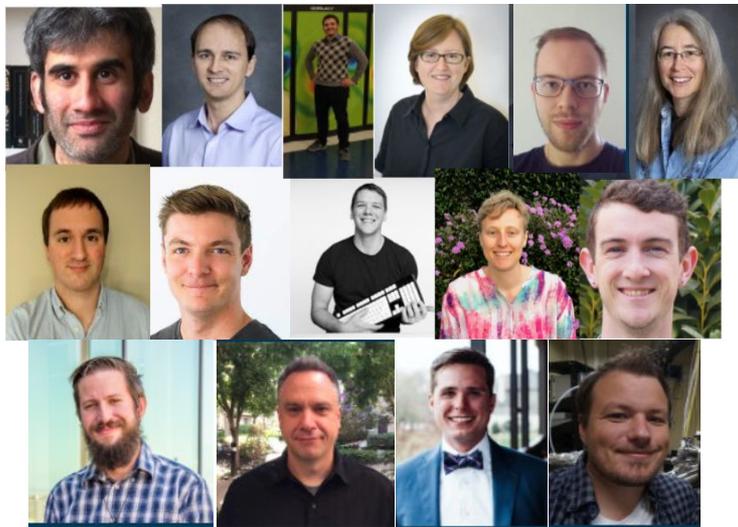
e.g. [KubeFlux](#) Misale et. al



Etalumis: Baydin et. al. SC19: [arXiv:1907.03382](#)  
See also "Surrogating" project PI Seljak ([ML Forum talk](#))



Unifying HEP Simulation and Inference  
Nachman et. al.



# Questions? Collaboration?

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<https://docs.nersc.gov/analytics/analytics/>

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